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FOR COVEY FROM HARTMAN

PLEASE ATTACH TO ACTION MEMO S/S 7619701 RE CYPRUS

PRINCIPLES, (TOSEC 270373).

FOLLOWING REPEAT NICOSIA 2892 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ANKARA ATHENS

BONN DIA LONDON PARIS VAIHINGEN NAPLES BRUSSELS NATO USUN NEW YORK

USNMR SHAPE THE HAGUE 20 SEPT 76.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 2892

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SUBJ: CYPRUS IN UNGA: FOREIGN MINISTER'S DEMARCHE

REF: (A) NICOSIA 2891 (DTG 201450Z SEP 76), (B) STATE 231712

(DTG 182201Z SEP 76)(NOTAL), (C) NICOSIA 2873

(DTG 171442Z SEP 76)

1. FONMIN CHRISTOPHIDES ASKED ME TO CALL SEPT 20 TO DISUCSS
CYPRUS IN UNGA. HE NOTED TURKISH-PROMOTED EFFORT TO REFER

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THIS YEAR'S DEBATE TO THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE. HE

SAID HE HOPED USG AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN A SOLUTION OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WOULD STRONGLY OPPOSE THIS. REFERRAL, HE STRESSED, WOULD BE CONTRARY TO PRECEDENT SET IN 1974 AND FOLLOWED IN 1975. IT WOULD BE CONTRARY TO USG'S STATED POLICY OF RECOGNIZING ONLY ONE GOVERNMENT IN CYPRUS. IT WOULD MAKE THE TURKS MORE INTRANSIGENT AND PERHAPS ENCOURAGE THEM MORE TOWARD UDI.

2. IN REPLY, I SAID I WOULD PROMPTLY TRANSMIT GOC DEMARCHE TO DEPT WHICH, AS FAR AS I WAS AWARE, HAD NOT YET TAKEN A POSITION ON THIS MATTER. PICKING UP ASSISTANT SECRETARY HART-MAN'S PERSONAL VIEW (REF B), HOWEVER, I SPECULATED THAT GOC MIGHT BE BETTER OFF NOT TO GIVE THE TURKS A NEW PROCEDURAL ISSUE. GOC STATUS WOULD BE SAFEGUARDED BY ITS RIGHT TO ADDRESS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. CHRISTOPHIDES STRONGLY REJECTED THIS AND ADDED THAT USG SUPPORT OF REFERRAL TO SPC WOULD BE REGARDED AS UNFRIENDLY.

3. IN RIVPLY TO MY QUESTION, CHRISTOPHIDES SAID PARALLEL DEMARCHES BEING MADE TO ALL SPC MEMBERS WITH EMBASSIES IN NICOSIA, AND IN CAPITALS. AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU BEING INSTRUCTED TO APPROACH DEPT.

4. CHRISTOPHIDES CONFIRMED THAT ARCHBISHOP DOES NOT PLAN TO VISIT UNGA OPENING AND ALSO WISHES TO AVOID GOING TO NEW YORK FOR CYPRUS DEBATE. CHRISTOPHIDES ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THIS WAS BASED ON THE REALIZATION THAT CYPRUS ISSUE NO LONGER COMMANDS THE AUDIENCE IT DID IN 1974 AND 1975. CHRISTOPHIDES CONFIRMED THAT HE PLANS TO PROCEED TO NEW YORK LATE NEXT WEEK AND HAS ASKED TO SPEAK ON OCTOBER 13 (REF C).
CRAWFORD
UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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